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MELAKA - National Co-operative Movement of Malaysia (Angkasa) has suggested to do away with getting chicks and animal feed from single source.

Its president Datuk Seri Abdul Fattah Abdullah said monopoly could make it difficult to control price of chicken.

"So far we have identified 200 to 300 cooperative members who are actively involved in poultry farm.

"They will work together to avoid sole dependence on these two or three problematic cartel companies.

"We are confident this effort can destroy the unhealthy ecosystem practiced now," he told reporters in Krubong here, here, today.

He added they will introduce their suggestion to the unity government.

"Angkasa had prior discussions with Agriculture and Food Security Minister Datuk Seri Mohamad Sabu over our research," he added.

He said Angkasa, with its wide network across the world, has identified countries to cooperate to solve the issue.

"The same supplier controls the cost of chicken production and manipulates supply in the market.

"The supplier would determine the production cost because they are the ones supplying the chicks and poultry feed and buy the chickens from the breeders," he added.

He said Angkasa also has more than 3,000 cooperative retail stores nationwide that can supply chicken to consumers.

"More importantly, our cooperative sector has more than seven million members who are also consumers and buyers," he said.